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C O N F I D E N T I A L THE HAGUE 1782

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: REDUCTION OF MILITARY BUDGETS (ROB)
EXPERTS GROUP

REF: A) STATE 063914 B) THE HAGUE 1401

1. SUMMARY: WE MADE ANOTHER APPROACH TO MFA FOR GON PARTICIPATION IN EXPERTS GROUP AND WERE TOLD MATTER STILL "UNDER CONSIDERATION." DESPITE BELGIAN DECISION, WE DOUBT GON WILL PROVIDE EXPERT. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBOFF DISCUSSED REFTEL A WITH MFA (ETTEMA, CHIEF, DISARMAMENT AFFAIRS, IO) APRIL 8. ETTEMA WAS AWARE BELGIUM'S DECISION NOT PARTICIPATE SINCE CHIEF OF MFA'S IO DIVISION (TERWISSCHA) HAS BEEN IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH HIS OPPOSITE NUMBER IN BRUSSELS. EMBOFF REITERATED ARGUMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL WE PARTICIPATION AND
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REQUESTED DUTCH CAREFULLY CONSIDER QUESTION OF PARTI-

CIPATION, ESPECIALLY IN VIEW OF BELGIUM'S DECISION.
ETTEMA SAID HE WOULD MAKE THIS SECOND APPROACH KNOWN
TO HIS SUPERIORS WHOM HE THOUGHT MUST STILL DISCUSS
MATTER WITH STATE SECRETARY KOOLJMAN.

3. COMMENT: AS REPORTED REF B, GON HAS
NEVER BEEN ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT CONCEPT OF EXPERTS GROUP
AND DOUBTS IT COULD FIELD BONA FIDE EXPERT EVEN IF
GON PARTICIPATED. THEREFORE, WE REMAIN SKEPTICAL
GON WILL DECIDE TAKE BELGIUM'S PLACE IN EXPERTS
GROUP.
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